

CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS—RELATING TO PENSIONS OF.

H. J. R. No. 1.] HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION.

To amend Article 3, Section 51, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to pensions of ex-Confederate soldiers and sailors.

SECTION 1. *Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:* That Article 3, Section 51, of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 51. The Legislature shall have no power to make any grant or authorize the making of any grant of public money to any individual associations or individuals, municipal or other corporations whatsoever; *provided*, however, the Legislature may grant aid to indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors, who came to Texas prior to January 1, 1880, and who are either over sixty years of age or whose disability is the proximate result of actual service in the Confederate army for a period of at least three months, their widows in indigent circumstances, who have never re-married and who have been bona fide residents of the State of Texas since March 1, 1880, and who were married to such soldiers or sailors anterior to March 1, 1880; *provided*, said aid shall not exceed eight dollars per month and *provided further*, that no appropriation shall ever be made for the purpose hereinbefore specified in excess of five hundred thousand dollars for any one year. And also grant aid to the establishment and maintenance of a home for said soldiers and sailors, under such regulations and limitations as may be provided by law; *provided*, the grant to aid said home shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars for any one year, and no inmate of said home shall be entitled to any other aid from the State, and *provided further*, that the provisions of this section shall not be construed to prevent the grant of aid in case of public calamity.

SEC. 2. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the next general election for State and county officers.

[NOTE:—The foregoing H. J. R. was presented to the Governor of Texas for his approval, on the 1st day of April, A. D. 1903, but was not signed by him nor returned to the house in which it originated, with his objections thereto within the time prescribed by the Constitution, and thereupon became a law without his signature.—J. R. CURL, Secretary of State.]

RELATING TO CAPTION OF SENATE BILL NO. 17.

S. C. R. No. 3.] SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Whereas, there is a question as to the sufficiency of the caption to Senate Bill No. 17, which has finally passed the Senate and House and is now in the hands of the Governor;

Therefore, be it resolved by the Senate, the House concurring, that